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SUBJ: NRW MINISTER PRESIDENT URGES SCHEEL REELECTION

1. ACCORDING TO THE NEUE RUHR ZEITUNG (INDEPENDENT WITH
SPD LEANINGS) OF APRIL 7, 1978, HEINZ KUEHN (SPD) MINISTER
PRESIDENT OF NORTH RHINE-ESSTPHALIA (NRW) URGED ALL
DEMOCRATIC PARTIES IN NRW TO SPONSOR THE REELECTION OF
FEDERAL PRESIDENT WALTER SCHEEL.

2. IN HIS REMARKS KUEHN WELCOMED A SIMILAR, EARLY-APRIL
PROPOSAL BY SPD CHAIRMAN WILLY BRANDT. KUEHN EXPRESSED
HOPE THAT THE FEDERAL PRESIDENT WOULD ACCEPT.

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3. KUEHN NOTES THAT, WITH FEDERAL PRESIDENTS HEINRICH
LUEBKE (CDU), GUSTAV HEINEMANN (SPD) AND WALTER
SCHEEL (FDP), NRW HAD PROVIDED THREE PRESIDENTS, A
FACT OF WHICH THE LAND COULD BE PROUD.

4. ALLEGED ATTEMPTS TO EVADE A DECISION IN THIS MATTER

ON THE PART OF THE CDU/CSU KUEHN CALLED UNWORTHY OF
THE PRESIDENT'S PERSONALITY AND THE DIGNITY OF HIS
OFFICE. THE HIGHEST OFFICE OF THE STATE, QUOTH KUEHN,
SHOULD NOT BECOME THE SHUTTLE COCK OF POLITICAL
TACTICS.DUX

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